

REMARKS

1. This is the first Preliminary Amendment filed in this application.
2. Claims 1-66 were originally presented in this application. By the foregoing Amendments, claims 3-8, 10-12, 14, 22, 24, 27-31, 33, 37, 38, 41, 45, 46, 48, 50, 55, 59, 61, and 64 have been amended. Claims 13, 15-21, 25, 26, 32, 34-36, 43, 44, 53, 54, 57, 58, 60, 62 and 63 have been cancelled. No claims have been added. Thus, upon entry of this paper, claims 1-12, 14, 22-24, 27-31, 33, 37-42 and 45-52, 55, 56, 59, 61, 64 and 66 will be pending in this application. Of these 43 claims, five (5) claims (claims 1, 39, 51, 65 and 66) are independent.

Amendments to the Specification

3. The specification has been amended to correct minor errors. The amendments to the specification do not introduce new matter.

Amendments to the Drawings

4. The replacement drawings conform to U.S. practice.

Amendments to the Claims

5. Applicants have amended the claims in accordance to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(i).

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Conclusion

6. It is believed that this application is in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after entering this paper into the record, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' representative at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

1. Please replace the drawings originally filed with the international application (FIGS. 1-6) with the enclosed five (5) replacement drawing sheets (FIGS. 1-6). The five (5) Replacement Drawing conform with U.S. practice.